

Coorg.

Wet land.—Rice crops are being reaped throughout the Province, and threshing has commenced in a few localities.

The Vaisak or May crop is being transplanted in the Nanjrajpatna Taluk.

Dry land.—Ragi has been threshed in the Nanjrajpatna and Yelusavirsime Taluks. Horsegram and Bengal-gram have suffered from want of rain and dew.

Coffee.—Picking of coffee is nearly completed, the crop in the portion of the Province known as the bamboo district has been very good, but elsewhere the out-turn has been very poor and far below the estimate.

Mortality.—The number of deaths amongst the population of the Province was 248, against 201 in the same month of last year, and is classified as follows:—

Dysentery 19, small-pox 61, fever 142, other diseases 21, accidents 5, total 248.

Of the above, there were 111 males, 72 females, and 65 children of the following sects:—Christians 3; Coorgs 42; Hindus 192; Muhammadans 11, total 248.

Cattle.—The mortality amongst the cattle was 448, against 420 in the same month of last year, and is classified as follows.—

Bulls 116, cows 98, calves 97, he-buffaloes 31, she-buffaloes 53, calves 53, total 448.

Market-rates—Remain stationary.

Rain-fall.—Mercara. In December

	Inches.	Cents.
.. .. .	0	14
Total Rain-fall..	133	95

H. G. THOMSON,
Superintendent.

AUCTION SALE OF FRUIT.

NOTICE.

The 29th January 1874.

The present crop of Tamarind fruit will be sold by public auction in the Lal Bagh on Thursday the 5th February 1874, at 11 A. M., precisely.

Terms—Cash.

“By Order,”

M. W. WALKER,
Offg. Superintendent.

List of Escapes amongst the Trans-Marine Convicts at Port Blair during the month of December 1873.

Jail register number, 17803—Serial number, 1—Name of prisoner, Battiga—Father's name and trade or occupation, Hotte Battiga—Caste, Kurba—Religion, Hindu—Native of what place, Town or Village, Nidgatta—Purgunna or Taluk, Hoskote—District and Province, Bangalore District, Mysore Province—Trade or profession, Cooly—Personal description, Left ear more prominent than right, scar outside right thigh, 2 scars on belly—Whether able to read and write and what language, No—Crime, Culpable homicide amounting to murder—Date of sentence, 23rd August 1872—Period of imprisonment, Life—By what Court sentenced, Sessions Judge, Nundydroog Division—Age, Years, 28—Height, Feet 5, Inches 4½—Surgeon's Report, In good health—Date of escape, 11th December 1873—Remarks, This prisoner was sent in a file to cut hullies and made his escape into the Andaman Jungles.

D. M. STEWART, Major-General,
Supt., Port Blair and Nicobars.